

ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD, IOWA[351]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 68B.32A, the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board hereby amends Chapter 4, "Campaign Disclosure Procedures," Iowa Administrative Code.

Iowa Code chapter 68A provides that media organizations that discuss candidates and public affairs do not trigger the campaign laws. Iowa Code section 68A.503(2)"d" directs the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board to adopt a rule prohibiting the owner, publisher, or editor of a sham newspaper from using the newspaper to promote that person's candidacy for public office. The amendment establishes the factors the Board will use in determining whether a publication should be entitled to the press exception or should be treated as a sham newspaper that triggers the campaign laws.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on April 8, 2009, as **ARC 7705B**. No oral or written comments on the amendment were received. The amendment is identical to that published under Notice.

The Board adopted this amendment on May 28, 2009.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 68A.503(2)"d."

This amendment will become effective on July 22, 2009.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Pursuant to recommendation of the Administrative Rules Review Committee published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin, September 10, 1986, the text of this amendment [4.48] is being omitted. This amendment is identical to that published under Notice as **ARC 7705B**, IAB 4/8/09.

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